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The Royal Langkawi Yacht Club

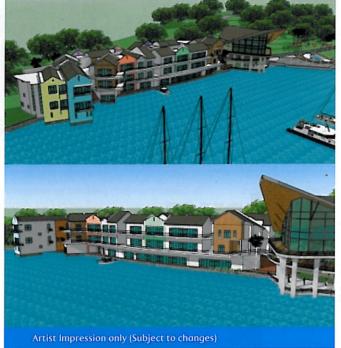
The Royal Langkawi Yacht Club (RLYC) on Peninsular Malaysia's north-west coast opened in 1996 and has positioned itself at the forefront of the rebirth of boating in Malaysia, growing in tandem with the island's development.

The Club is located on the south-east of Langkawi, close to Kuah which is the main town and the island's jetty point for ferries between the mainland and Langkawi.

RLYC has just recently closed for an extensive redevelopment of its club and marina to meet the demands of the sailing and yachting community in the region and beyond.

"RLYC has a long history and while we intend to maintain the traditions that have been established, we believe that redeveloping will enable us to provide our loyal clientele and future clients with what they deserve, which are world class marina facilities and boutique hospitality services," said Executive Director and General Manager, Wicky Sundram.

The works are expected to be operational by end October 1915 and include the restructure and design of a new three-story block of shop lots, lifestyle floor and boutique retail outlets.



The main clubhouse will undergo major refurbishment and will include a grand lobby and reception area as well as eight boutique rooms for guest accommodation, four of which will have balconies overlooking the ocean and marina.

The project will include the expansion of the mega-yacht berths to accommodate super yachts up to 8 ometres and the marina will be fitted with new power systems up to 400 amps, sanitation pumps, safety equipment and an additional 30 berths of 17 and 20 metres.

No costs have been spared to ensure the best pontoons be installed with direct electricity supply, water and fuel to the boats; 24 hour security patrols; postal, parcel and port clearance services.

The Yacht Club's facilities have expanded over the years from a 44 berth marina to its present offering of 200 wet berths, including four berths for mega yachts. A sea wall was completed in November 2002 to offset the problems of waves from

increasing ferry traffic to the island. The distinctive open-design clubhouse features popular Charlie's Place Restaurant and Bar, a swimming pool on the bottom deck and the Captain's Deck Bar & Grill with views of the sea and tourist haunt, Pulau Dayang Bunting, (Pregnant Maiden Island).

In 2003, RLYC first held its inaugural Royal Langkawi International Regatta which has now been successfully run for 11 years, putting the Club proudly on the global map as a premier yacht club and marina.

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